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Docket No. CEN5058 USANP

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Evans Art Unit: 1631
Serial No. : 10/052,582 Examiner: Carolyn L. Smith
Filed : January 18, 2002
Title : COMPUTER-DIRECTED ASSEMBLY OF A POLYNUCLEOTIDE ENCODING
A TARGET POLYPEPTIDE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION
REQUIREMENTS**

Serial No. 10/052,582

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed 28 June 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Enclosed herewith is a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, to and including 28 October 2004.